PUBLIC NOTICE

The Maryland Department of Natural Resources Fishing and Boating Services

Closure of Rock Point Oyster Bar (Charles County) — Effective 9/19/2019

WHAT THIS NOTICE DOES

The Secretary of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources announces that Rock Point oyster bar in Charles County is closed to all shellfish harvest.

AREA CLOSED

Rock Point (PSFA 134 (NOB 20-1): Wicomico River (West))

All the Charles County waters of the Wicomico River enclosed by a line beginning at a point defined by Lat. 38°15.981' N, and Long. 76°50.195' W; then running 301° True to a point defined by Lat. 38°16.029' N, and Long. 76°50.296' W; then running 48° True to a point defined by Lat. 38°16.140' N, and Long. 76°50.142' W; then running 116° True to a point defined by Lat. 38°16.107' N, and Long. 76°50.058' W, then running 221° True to the point of beginning.

PURPOSE OF THIS CLOSURE

This closure is necessary to protect spat-on-shell planted by the Charles County Oyster Committee on this site until the site is suitable for reopening. This closure was requested by the Charles County Oyster Committee.

WHO THIS NOTICE AFFECTS

This closure applies to all individuals who catch oysters or clams recreationally or commercially.

EFFECTIVE DATE

The closure is effective at 12:01 a.m. September 19, 2019. The area is closed until further notice. A new notice will be issued when the area is reopened to harvest.

AUTHORITY

Natural Resources Article, §4-215, Annotated Code of Maryland Code of Maryland Regulations 08.02.04.11G

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